

THE BIRMINGHAM POST & MAIL LIMITED

REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
for the year ended
31 December 2000

Company Number : 1034883



THE BIRMINGHAM POST & MAIL LIMITED

DIRECTORS' REPORT

for the year ended 31 December 2000

The directors submit their report and financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2000.

Directors

The directors of the Company who served during the year ended 31 December 2000 are those listed below.

Charles John Allwood	Resigned 20 July 2000
Paul Carter	Resigned 26 May 2000
Ian Malcolm Dowell	Resigned 23 March 2000
Margaret Ewing	Appointed 20 July 2000
Mark Derrick Haysom	Resigned 16 March 2000
Roy Mander	Resigned 05 January 2000
Daniel Cavner Mason	
Paul Andrew Vickers	
Denise May West	Resigned 20 March 2000

Activity and Accounts

The Company has not traded during the year or the previous year and has therefore made neither a profit nor a loss nor any other recognised gain or loss, in the year ended 31 December 2000 or the previous year.

Directors' Interests

The interests of Margaret Ewing and Paul Andrew Vickers in the shares of the ultimate parent undertaking, Trinity Mirror Plc, are disclosed in the financial statements of that company.

The Interests of the other director at 31 December 2000 in the shares of the ultimate parent company are:

	Beneficial		Share options	
	Year ended 31 December 2000	53 weeks ended 2 January 2000	Year ended 31 December 2000	53 weeks ended 2 January 2000
Ian Malcolm Dowell	13,160	13,160	11,146	5,949
Daniel Cavner Mason	-	-	5,974	17,732

The director held the above options under share schemes at prices of between 437p and 544p per share and are exercisable between March 2002 and May 2010.

One of the Directors exercised part of their share options in the ultimate parent company during the year (2ND January 2000 – 31st December 2000).

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DIRECTORS' REPORT (Continued) for the year ended 31 December 2000

Directors' Interests (Continued)

Dan Mason has an interest in £15,764 Mirror Group Plc Floating Rate Unlisted Unsecured Loan Notes 2002 [January 2000 £22,764]. Interest accrues on these loan notes on a semi-annual basis at LIBOR less 0.5%.

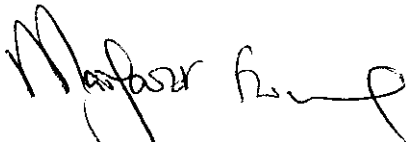
Dividend

The directors do not recommend the payment of a dividend in respect of the 52 weeks ended 31 December 2000 (1999 – nil).

Directors' Insurance

Trinity Mirror Plc maintains insurance for its directors, including directors of its subsidiary undertakings, in respect of their duties.

Margaret Ewing
Director



11 September 2001

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BALANCE SHEET

as at 31 December 2000

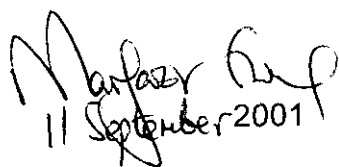
	<u>31 December 2000</u>	<u>02 January 2000</u>
	<u>£</u>	<u>£</u>
Current Assets		
Amounts due from group undertakings	<u>100</u>	<u>100</u>
Share capital		
Authorised, allotted and fully paid 100 Ordinary shares of £1 each	<u>100</u>	<u>100</u>

The Company has been dormant throughout the period and members have not required the Company to obtain an audit in accordance with Section 249B (2) of the Companies Act 1985. Accordingly, the Company is entitled to the exemption from audit under Section 249 AA (1) of the Act.

The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for ensuring that the Company keeps accounting records which comply with Section 221 of the Companies Act 1985 , and preparing accounts which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Company as at the end of the financial year in accordance with the requirements of Section 226 of the Companies Act 1985, and which otherwise comply with the requirements of this Act relating to accounts, so far as applicable to the Company.

The financial statements on pages 3 and 4 were approved by the board of directors on 11th September 2001 and signed on its behalf by:-

Margaret Ewing
Director


11 September 2001

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS for the year ended 31 December 2000

1. Basis of Accounting

The Company prepares its financial statements on the historical cost basis of accounting.

2. Profit and Loss Account

The Company has acted during the year as unremunerated agent for Midland Newspaper Limited. It has not traded on its own account and, accordingly, it has made neither a profit nor a loss. No profit and loss account has therefore been prepared.

3. Directors' emoluments

The only employees of the company were the directors and they did not receive any remuneration from the company during the year (period ended 2 January 2000 - £nil).

All of the directors are members of one of the group's defined benefit pension schemes (period ended 2 January 2000 – two of the directors were members of the Mirror Group defined contribution pension arrangements and ten were members of the group's defined benefit pension schemes).

4. Capital Commitments

At 31 December 2000, the Company had no capital commitments (1999-nil).

5. Related Party Transactions

The Company has taken advantage of the exemption granted by paragraph 3 (c) of Financial Reporting Standard 8 as a wholly owned subsidiary.

6. Ultimate Parent Company

The immediate and ultimate parent of the Company is Trinity Mirror Plc. The consolidated financial statements of Trinity Mirror Plc may be obtained from the Company Secretary, Trinity Mirror Plc, Kingsfield Court, Chester Business Park, Chester CH4 9RE.